

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Mr. Starr:** Mr. Speaker, once more I raise a question of privilege on what the government house leader has just said. He still leads us to believe that the bill was available, when it was not. He is trying to tell us about the procedure through which a bill must go for printing, and we all know that. We want to know when the bill will be available to members of the house, and that is all he has to answer.

**Mr. McIlraith:** If that is the case—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Perhaps the Chair can offer some assistance. I will certainly endeavour to intervene, where intervention might help, to ensure that distribution is made without delay.

**Mr. Hamilton:** Mr. Speaker, on the question of privilege which, in effect, you have ruled upon, I asked last night at the close of the house, as reported at page 4911 of *Hansard*:

Mr. Speaker, can we obtain some assurance from the minister that the bill will be available tonight?

The Minister of Transport answered in these words:

There are some copies available and I will endeavour to see that as many as possible are distributed as soon as possible.

I was in the house last night until eleven o'clock and I received no copy of the bill. The first thing I did this morning was to ask for the bill. I was told by the Prime Minister that it was available. However, on asking the ushers, the messenger boys and the people at the table it turns out that no bill is available. I want to re-emphasize what my colleague has said about this question of privilege.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Réal Caouette (Villeneuve):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege—

**Mr. Speaker:** Is this a new question of privilege?

**Mr. Caouette:** It is the same question of privilege as that raised by the hon. member for Qu'Appelle (Mr. Hamilton).

The hon. member for Qu'Appelle and his colleague for Ontario (Mr. Starr) must both know that the bill concerns government reorganization. They must not be surprised that it was not distributed yesterday. Let them wait and they will have it today or tomorrow.

[*English*]

**HOUSING****REQUEST THAT FUNDS BE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH CORPORATION**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. L. M. Brand (Saskatoon):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Labour. In view of the worsening situation regarding the lack of mortgage moneys for home building, and in view of the consequent serious inflationary effects which this is having on the home building industry, will the minister not consider making available more funds for home building purposes through Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. My understanding is that this question was asked some days ago and replied to by the minister. I do not think there is any new element in the question as outlined by the hon. member.

**Mr. Brand:** A supplementary question. Mr. Speaker, I must emphasize that there is indeed a new element in this question. Mortgage funds, according to my information, are becoming unobtainable from any source. This is a matter of great urgency, and it is something that should be dealt with now. It was not dealt with one week ago.

**INQUIRIES OF THE MINISTRY**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. H. W. Herridge (Kootenay West):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the Minister of Industry, of which I have given him oral notice. In view of the fluctuations of the New York Stock Exchange yesterday owing to several incorrect announcements by General Motors with respect to the operations of their various plants, does the minister consider this a form of retaliation for the successful campaign carried on for safer cars being undertaken by the member for Brome-Missisquoi?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Gilles Grégoire (Lapointe):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Justice.

Did the Minister of Justice say last Sunday, during a political meeting in connection with the Quebec elections, that the splinter parties